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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: **COLLAGENIC PEPTIDES MODIFIED BY GRAFTING MERCAPTO  
FUNCTIONS, METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF AND  
USES THEREOF AS BIOMATERIALS**

**COVER LETTER FOR DOCUMENTS IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING  
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UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.54(d)**

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) that is being returned with this Response, that is due by December 22, 2001.

In response to the Notice, Applicant's respond as follows:

1.) The Declaration of the inventors executed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.68 is attached hereto.

2.) With respect to the requirement that a "Sequence Listing" be submitted, Applicants do not understand which "Sequence Listing" has to be provided. Applicants, therefore, respectfully request clarification of this requirement in order that appropriate action may be taken to comply.

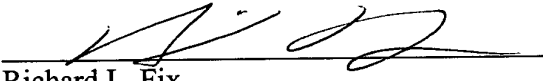
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If the Office has any questions, or wishes to discuss this matter, please call the attorney of record identified in this application as the one to whom all communications are to be directed, or the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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